



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6796***

LCO No. 3539



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SCHOOL  
NURSE ADVISORY COUNCIL.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-212 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

3 (a) (1) Each local or regional board of education shall (A) appoint  
4 one or more school nurses or nurse practitioners, and (B) maintain a  
5 staffing ratio that is not less than one school nurse or nurse practitioner  
6 for each seven hundred fifty students. A school nurse or nurse  
7 practitioner may provide services to one or more local or regional  
8 boards of education, provided such boards ensure that the staffing  
9 requirements prescribed in this subdivision are met.

10 (2) Such school nurses and nurse practitioners appointed by such  
11 boards shall [be qualified pursuant to regulations] meet the  
12 educational requirements and other qualifications specified in  
13 regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 by  
14 the State Board of Education in consultation with the Department of  
15 Public Health. In addition to meeting such educational requirements

16 and other qualifications, each school nurse or nurse practitioner shall  
 17 complete the school nurse orientation program offered by the state  
 18 Department of Education and the Association of School Nurses of  
 19 Connecticut not later than one year after his or her date of hire.

20 (3) Such school nurses may also act as visiting nurses in the town,  
 21 may visit the homes of pupils in the public schools and shall assist in  
 22 executing the orders of the school medical advisor, if there is any in  
 23 such town, and perform such other duties as are required by such  
 24 board.

25 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or any  
 26 regulation of Connecticut state agencies, nothing in this section shall  
 27 be construed to prohibit the administering of medications by parents  
 28 or guardians to their own children on school grounds.

29 (c) School nurses and nurse practitioners appointed by or under  
 30 contract with any local or regional board of education and any nurse  
 31 provided to a nonpublic school under the provisions of section 10-217a  
 32 shall submit to a criminal history records check in accordance with the  
 33 provisions of section 29-17a.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2015	10-212

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***PH***      *Joint Favorable*